GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3851
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CONSTITUTION OF TASK FORCE TO USE NEW HERBAL DIESEL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a task force has been constituted under the chairmanship of Shri D.N. Tiwari, a Member of the Planning Commission to conduct a study about making use of a new fuel-the herbal diesel;

(b) if so, whether the above Task Force has submitted its report to the Government;

(c) if so, the details of the report; and

(d) the actions taken by the Government on that report?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SMT. SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

(a) A Committee on Development on Bio-fuels was constituted under the chairmanship ofDr. D.N. Tiwari, Member, Planning Commission to look into various aspects connected with blending of bio-diesel with mineral oil based fuels.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Committee has recommended launching of National Mission on Bio-Diesel to enable 20% blending of bio-diesel in diesel by 2011-12 in two phases.

(d) The Committee submitted its report only in July, 2003.